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In re Application of:	)
Singh, Narinder Pal, et al.	) )
Serial No. 10/072,220	) Examiner: Cuong H. Nguyen
Filing Date: February 8, 2002	) Group Art Unit No. 3661 )
For AUTOMATIC FLIGHT MANAGEMENT IN AN ONLINE MARKETPLACE	) ) )

# REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)

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Dear Sir.

A Notice of Allowance was mailed on October 27, 2004 with a term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. § 154(b) of 0 days. For the reasons stated herein, reconsideration of this patent term adjustment is respectfully requested.

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#### **REMARKS**

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Reconsideration of the patent term adjustment under 35 U.S. C. § 154(b) is requested. A Notice of Allowance for this application was mailed October 27, 2004, with a term adjustment of 0 days. Correction of the patent term adjustment to add 7 days to the patent term as shown below is respectfully requested.

The patent term adjustment for U.S. patent application number 10/072,220 is calculated as shown below. Dates are specified based on the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system Patent Term Adjustment History, attached as Exhibit B. This application is <u>not</u> subject to a terminal disclaimer.

#### Period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)

The period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a) is the number of days in the period beginning on the day ("the 14 month date") after that date that is fourteen months after the date on which the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. § 111(a) and ending on the date of mailing or either an action under 35 U.S.C. § 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. § 151, whichever comes first.

The present application was filed on February 8, 2002. The 14 month date specified in 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a) is April 8, 2003. The first PTO action was a non-final rejection mailed April 15, 2003. The difference between the 14 month date and the date of mailing of the non-final rejection is <u>7 days</u>.

### Reduction in period of adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(b)

With respect to the grounds for adjustment set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)-(e), an applicant is deemed to have failed to engage in reasonable efforts to conclude processing or examination of an application for the cumulative total of any periods or time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office. Any such three month period is measured from the date the notice or action was mailed to the applicant.

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The period of adjustment set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days beginning on the day ("the 3 month date") after the date that is three months after the date of mailing of the Office communication.

In the present application, a notice to file missing parts was mailed on April 4, 2002. The 3 month date for this communication is July 4, 2002, 2004. A fully responsive response to the notice to file missing parts was mailed on June 27, 2002 as evidenced by the return receipt postcard included herewith as Exhibit A. As is further evidenced by the OIPE date stamp on Exhibit A, the response was received by the USPTO on July 8, 2002. However, the USPTO did not mark the application "complete" until October 22, 2002, as evidenced by the PAIR Patent Term Adjustment History for the present application attached hereto as Exhibit B. It is submitted that this is an error, resulting in 106 erroneous days of applicant delay.

Other portions of the applicant delay as calculated by the PTO are not contested.

Request for reconsideration of patent term adjustment indicated in the notice of allowance under 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)

Any request for reconsideration of the patent term adjustment indicated in the notice of allowance, except as provided in 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(d), must be made by way of an application for patent term adjustment filed no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The notice of allowance for the present application was mailed on October 27, 2004 and indicated a patent term adjustment of <u>0 days</u>. As of that date, the Applicants believed they were entitled to at least an additional <u>7 days</u> under 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b), given that the patent had not yet issued. It is submitted that the number of days of applicant delay was calculated erroneously in arriving at the 0 days of patent term adjustment indicated on the notice of allowance. Correction of this erroneous calculation is respectfully requested.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the patent term adjustment for the present application is respectfully requested.

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#### Fee payment

Please charge the petition fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. Please charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the patent term adjustment for this patent. Office personnel are invited to contact the undersigned attorneys for the Applicant via telephone if such communication would expedite this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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